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**Briefly****Class reunion**

9:56 Members of the 1968 graduate class of Granite City High School South who are interested in planning a 10-year reunion will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22. For more information, they may call 288-6664.

**Audubon talk**

The Southwestern Illinois Audubon Society will meet Monday, Feb. 15, at the First Federal Savings and Loan community room, 300 St. Louis St., Edwardsville.

Dr. Harvey Taylor of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will present a slide show on Indians and animal life. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served. Conservation actions coming before Congress will be discussed and bird sightings will be noted. There is no charge, and guests are welcome. Persons may call 931-1352 for further information.

**Dumpling meal**

9:56 Granite City Eagles Auxiliary 1126 will sponsor a chicken and dumplings dinner Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Eagles Home, 2558 Madison Ave.

Serving will be from noon to 4 p.m. Carry-out and children's plates will be available. Joann Spencer is president of the auxiliary. Debbie Weatherford and Vera Johnson are chairpersons of the dinner.

**Views of war**

Local news on the war in Yugoslavia are on Page 7A.

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**25 years ago**

Feb. 14, 1968

The Madison County Board approved the formation of a parks and recreation committee. Development of Horseshoe Lake as a park and recreation area has been discussed if the county succeeds in securing federal funds for development.

**Complete network and cable listings**

Look for the TV Entertainment book every Thursday in the Granite City Press-Record. For home delivery call 746-2000.

## Fisk wins top ballot position in lottery

By Bob Slat  
Staff writer

Most incumbent elected officials did well Thursday in lotteries to determine the placement of names on the April 20 ballot.

The names of City Clerk Robert "Bob" Stevens and incumbent Aldermen Casmer Skubish and Judy Whitaker will be listed first among candidates for their respective offices.

Councilman Paul L. Fisk's name will be listed first among the 10 candidates for mayor.

Officials to be elected include a mayor, city clerk, eight aldermen, treasurer, assessor and township supervisor.

Barring any write-in campaigns, City Treasurer Gail Wayne, Assessor Darlene

Laub and Supervisor Nelson "Nellie" Higginson will be unopposed. They were the only candidates to file for their respective offices.

Candidates' names appear on the ballot under the offices they are seeking in the order in which they file petitions.

If more than one person for a particular office is present when the filing period opens, those candidates are considered to have filed simultaneously and a lottery is held to determine the order in which their names will appear.

Associate Judge Michael Meehan drew the names during the lottery Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at City Hall.

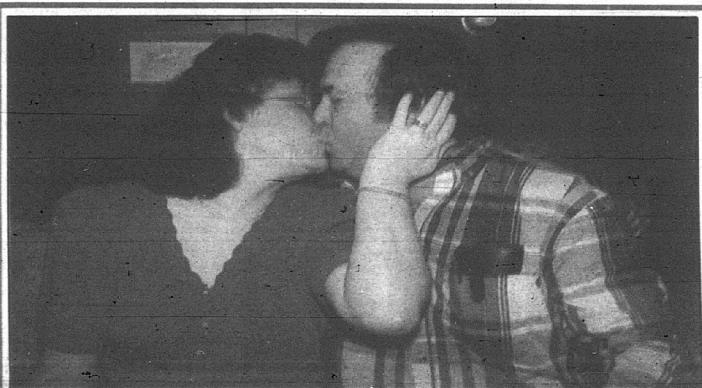
In the mayor's race, current Alderman John "Jeff" Worthen will be listed second after Fisk. Worthen will be followed by

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(Staff photo by BOB SLATE)

Associate Judge Michael Meehan, right, draws a name during the Granite City ballot lottery Thursday. Deputy City Clerk Charlotte Suhre, center, assists while City Clerk Bob Stevens observes.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Lila and Richard Moslander share a kiss as they look through their wedding album.

## Some special Valentine's memories

*Editor's note: In honor of Valentine's Day, the Press/Record/Journal asked readers to share their special romantic experiences. Following are the responses we received.*

My husband and I met 15 1/2 years ago. We talked to each other for months before going out. We were both newly divorced and being cautious. Our first date was on Valentine's Day with his two children. Two dates later, Richard was giving me this speech on how we needed to go slow and take our time and get to know each other.

The next night he came over only to find an ex-boyfriend leaving after visiting a few minutes.

Richard asked what he wanted and I explained he was just checking to see how I was doing.

Within 30 minutes, Richard was asking me to

marry him.

I ran over and put my arms around him and cried. It wasn't until he proposed that I realized I was in love with him.

We've been together now almost 15 years. We got married in 1979 and were married six weeks later, on March 31.

So much for taking it slow! I'm glad he changed his mind, because we've had a very good marriage so far and it is still getting better.

LILA MOSLANDER  
Granite City

My marriage proposal and wedding were like a fairy tale come true.

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## After 120 years, city plans zoning

### Venice proposal advances

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

For the first time since it was incorporated 120 years ago, Venice may soon have property zoning laws.

The Zoning Commission, chaired by Alderman John Ervin, presented a draft 50-page zoning ordinance for the city at a public hearing Tuesday.

The commission, appointed by Mayor Tyrone Ecker, to establish a zoning plan for the city, has worked on the ordinance for more than six months.

"It's important to remember that nothing we have done so far is final," said Alderman Ervin. "We are here to get input about what needs to be changed, what you like, and what you don't like."

The commission hopes to have a final ordinance ready for the City Council to approve within the next 60 to 90 days.

The draft ordinance establishes four zoning classifications: R-1 one-family residence, R-2 general residence, C commercial and I industrial.

In the area zoned R-1, an area southeast of the city proper that currently has no buildings, only single-family homes, churches

and schools will be permitted.

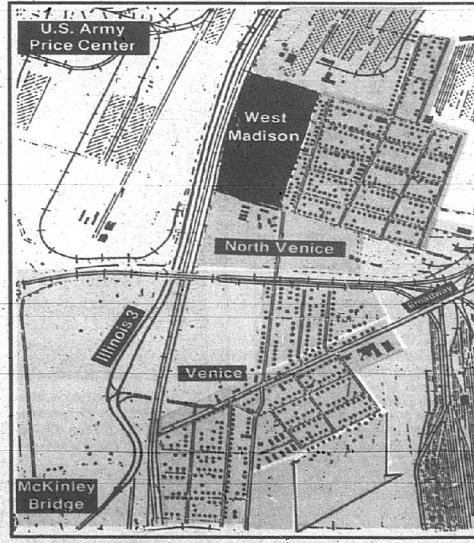
Mobile homes and all commercial and industrial uses are prohibited.

In the areas zoned R-2, including most of the current residential neighborhoods in Venice, both new and vacant areas west of the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, the proposed zoning permits all types of residences including single-family, two-family and multi-family dwellings, as well as mobile homes on permanent foundations. All commercial and industrial uses are prohibited.

In the areas zoned C, including both sides of Broadway, the Route 61 southern entry to the city and the area east of the north end of the Broadway viaduct, uses permitted are retail and service businesses and eating and drinking places.

In the areas zoned I, including most of the area surrounding Venice proper, permitted uses include manufacturing, warehousing and wholesale business

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Proposed zoning districts for Venice. The R-1 one-family residence area is shown in gray, the R-2 general residence areas are in green, the C commercial areas in red and the I industrial areas in blue.

## 76 educators plan to retire

### Will take advantage of early retirement law

By Bob Slat  
Staff writer

Local job prospects are looking good for current college students majoring in education.

Seventy-six Granite City teachers and administrators have notified the school district of their plans to take advantage of an early-retirement incentive plan recently enacted by the state legislature, and many more are expected to do so with in the next year.

While the retirement plan could drastically reduce the number of experienced teachers in the district, especially in the areas of mathematics and science, the financially strapped district expects to save millions of dollars by reducing those educators with early-education teachers, said Norm Owca, director of finance for the district.

Those savings could then be used to purchase textbooks and to fund teacher programs.

In Granite City School District Nine, 201 certified staff members are eligible to take advantage of the incentive this year, and an additional 18 will become eligible next summer.

The School Board adopted a plan Tuesday night for implementing the "five and five" retirement legislation.

The law enables certified staff

to "buy" up to five years of service credit and five years of age enhancement by contributing the equivalent of 4 percent of salary for each year purchased.

The district is required to contribute the equivalent of 20 percent per participating employee per year.

Teachers must exercise the early-retirement option either in the summer or in the summer of 1994.

The Granite City School Board placed no restriction on the number of eligible teachers who may apply each year, but imposed a 30 percent cap of those eligible to retire in 1994.

For example, if 180 certified staff are eligible to retire next year, 54 will be allowed to do so under the early retirement incentive plan.

The purpose of the cap is not to prevent additional certified staff from retiring in 1994, but rather to allow additional staff to retire in 1995, Owca said.

Certified staff who notify the district of their intent to retire after the 30 percent cap has been reached next year may, at

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## Campaign signs meet criticism

By Bob Slat  
Staff writer

A former Madison Avenue businessman has ignored the spirit of a zoning law — a law the alderman pushed to get enacted.

The alderman, Jeff Worthen, chairman of the aldermanic Planning and Zoning Committee and a candidate for mayor, says his campaign headquarters is within the limits of the law.

But the businessman, with his wife, Charlotte, operated an insurance office on Madison Avenue for a number of years, told the Plan Commission on Thursday night that Worthen's campaign headquarters at 27th Street and Madison Avenue violates the spirit of the B-1 zoning law — a law Worthen sponsored on the City Council floor.

"If the intent of (B-1 zoning) is to protect the residents of Iowa City, Grand Avenue and Madison Avenue, which are these signs doing to the residents he is claiming to want to protect?" Charbonnier asked during a discussion of a proposed sign ordinance that would change the size, type and number of business signs allowed in the B-1 district.

The B-1 zoning district runs

(See SIGNS, Page 6A)

## Killer's appeal comes 30 minutes before court-granted deadline

Convicted murderer Lloyd Wayne Hampton will fight execution despite his earlier pleas for it.

Hampton's attorney, Charles Weitzman, filed an appeal in Madison County Circuit Court Thursday, 30 minutes before the deadline granted by the Illinois Supreme Court.

Weitzman refused comment, but said he planned additional filings next week.

In the petition, Weitzman claims Hampton's rights were denied because he was not adequately informed of the consequences of his guilty plea in the murder of Roy "Jasper" Pendleton.

The petition claims the court informed Hampton he could be sentenced to death, but failed to

advise him of other possible sentences.

The petition also alleges Hampton was not advised that he could be sentenced to life in prison, the only a single juror's vote was needed to prevent the death penalty.

The state high court granted a stay Nov. 10, a few hours before Hampton was scheduled to die. Weitzman said he could pursue his appeal which he had previously refused to exhaust.

The original deadline for filing his post-trial petition was Jan. 11, but it was extended 30 days when Weitzman requested more time.

Hampton pleaded guilty to the 1990 murder of Pendleton in Troy and had repeatedly demanded that he be executed

as soon as possible and that appeals be blocked.

He waived his right to sentencing before a jury.

Hampton said he also committed several other murders for which he was not charged and would "kill until I am killed."

The Supreme Court ruled Hampton was mentally competent to waive further legal actions on his behalf after reviewing transcripts of a mental competency hearing in Madison County.

Hampton changed his mind about execution after a reunion with his sister at Stateville prison the day before he was scheduled to die.

—From the Alton Telegraph

## 19-year-old is convicted of murdering Edwardsville woman

Relatives of Jeffrey Yates were escorted out of a Madison County courtroom after a jury found the 19-year-old guilty of murder, home invasion and burglary.

Yates, of East St. Louis, pleaded guilty on the first and slumped down in his chair as Chief Criminal Judge Edward Ferguson read the guilty verdicts Thursday afternoon. The jury deliberated about one hour and 15 minutes before reaching its verdict. Yates' attorney, Rand Hale, said he expects an appeal.

Yates, a former general equivalency diploma student at State Community College, was charged with first-degree murder in the Nov. 8, 1991 shooting death of 85-year-old Elizabeth Kirts of Edwardsville. Yates testified Wednesday that he had never been inside Kirts' apartment at the Edwardsville College, although his fingerprints were positively identified on two jeweled boxes in the victim's bedroom.

After the verdict, family members embraced Yates as tears streamed down his cheeks. At one point several relatives had to forcefully pull Yates' oldest sister, Veronica Yates, away from him so authorities could take him back to the Madison County Jail.

They set him up. They put those (jewelry) boxes in there," Veronica Yates yelled as her relatives struggled to remove her from the courtroom. "They were going away."

While Ferguson read the verdicts, Yates' father, John Yates, offered his son hope.

"Jeffrey, the Lord is going to bring you out, baby," John Yates told his son. "The Lord has the last word, baby." Edwardsville hasn't seen the last of us."

Outside the courtroom, John Yates was calm. "I'm surprised we have to pay for it," he said. "This certainly is not my son's innocent."

Yates' mother, Billie Yates, sat motionless in the courtroom

staring straight ahead for nearly 20 minutes before slowly walking out. Outside the courtroom, Kirts' deputies kept close watch on her relatives as they wept openly and embraced each other.

—Madison County Assistant State Attorney Robert Treadwell he was pleased with the verdict. He said he did not know what sentence he would recommend when Yates is sentenced in about 45 days.

During closing arguments, Treadwell told the jurors that the jewelry boxes served as eyewitnesses to Kirts' death. He said Yates left his prints while ransacking her apartment for money and jewelry.

Yates testified Wednesday he drove to Edwardsville the morning of the shooting to take his mother and sister to Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. After he had taken them to his mother's apartment, he went to the same building Kirts lived in, to take a bath and change clothes.

—From the Alton Telegraph

## Corbett gets life sentence

CARLINVILLE — Tammy Corbett's parents nervously waited Wednesday for a judge to decide whether their daughter should live or die for murdering her two children.

"A lot of us would die, too," if she is sentenced to death, her mother, Katherine Sears, said.

Circuit Judge Joseph Koval ended the suspense Thursday when he sentenced Corbett to life in prison without parole.

Koval had found Corbett guilty of suffocating her 56-day-old son, Robert, in 1987 and 15-day-old daughter, Amy Cecile, in 1988. Corbett was found guilty of first-degree murder but mentally ill Friday after a five-day, non-jury trial.

Corbett, 27, was already serving 20 years at the Dwight Correctional Center for the 1989 murder of her first son, Richard Evans, Jr., on his third birthday, in Jersey County.

Corbett stared at the floor Tuesday and listened to defense attorneys and the prosecutor argue whether she should be sentenced to life in prison or death for the murders.

"She's an evil, brutal killer who should be put to death," Macoupin County State's At-

torney Vince Moreth said.

Tammy is "mentally ill and her life should be spared," defense attorney Michael Burton told Koval.

Corbett murdered her three children and planned to kill an inmate at Dwight prison, Moreth told Koval.

Tammy plotted to stab another inmate with a prison-made knife, he said.

An inmate testified Tuesday the Corbett had a razor blade and a knife made from a spoon to attack another prisoner.

"Tammy showed me a weapon, a broken spoon sharpened into a point," inmate Sandra Banks said.

Corbett called Banks "my dear teardrop" and wrote her as many as 70 letters in prison.

"I came close to using my ace in the hole (knife)" on an inmate, she wrote in one letter to Banks, who is serving 25 years for murder.

—From the Alton Telegraph

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### Suspect nabbed at truck stop

A 22-year-old State Park Place man, wanted on felony charges in Louisiana, was arrested at the Gateway Mid-State Truck Plaza in Madison on Wednesday afternoon.

Darrell T. Hines, who gave police an address in the 2300 block of Black Lane, was arrested at 3:55 p.m. Feb. 10 on warrants issued in Houma, La., charging him with aggravated assault and perpetrating a crime against a victim older than 65 years of age.

Total bond on the warrants is \$85,000. Rosier was transferred to the St. Clair County Jail pending extradition.

Arring on a tip from Granite City police that Rosier was at the truck stop attempting to obtain money from Western Union, a Madison officer went to the location and arrested Rosier without incident, according to a police report.

Employees cited inconsistencies in information given by the two, such as their names, addresses, car registration and Social Security numbers during interviews when they were

## Police log

### Granite City

#### Wields knife, ax handle

Albert J. Overton, 24, of Park Town West Mobile Home Park, was arrested at 1:35 p.m. Feb. 7 for battery and aggravated assault.

Overton allegedly threatened Stanley Barylske, 25, with a knife and struck Barylske in the back with an ax handle in an incident in the 3700 block of Kirkpatrick Homes.

Overton was lodged pending \$24 bail.

#### Domestic charge filed

Charles F. Kennedy, 69, of the 2500 block of Sheridan Avenue, was arrested for domestic battery at 6:54 p.m. Feb. 6.

He allegedly pushed his wife in the face, according to a police report.

Witnesses told police that Carney also had spit in the victim's hair, took her pencil and shoved her desk into the girl's back, the report states.

—From the Alton Telegraph

#### Five traffic charges

Bruce E. Huffine, 34, of the 2400 block of Adams Street, was arrested at 2:35 a.m. Feb. 9 for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving without liability insurance and failure to stop at three stop signs.

An officer reported seeing a blue 1978 Lincoln Continental run stop signs on 22nd Street at its intersections with Cleveland Boulevard, Delmar Avenue and Edison Avenue.

Huffine, the driver, took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

He was also wanted on a St. Clair County warrant for failure to appear in court on a previous charge of operating an uninsured vehicle.

Huffine was lodged pending \$759 bail.

#### Sexual abuse alleged

A 34-year-old Granite City man was arrested at 4:10 p.m. Feb. 9 for allegedly sexually abusing a 10-year-old girl.

Casimiro D. Muniz, of the 2000

## 2 arrested with false IDs

A man and woman from Indiana were arrested at Magna Bank on unlawful use of an Illinois identification card, a Class 4 felony.

Albert A. Sheridan III, 22, and Latoya L. Sanford, 20, both of Indianapolis, were arrested at Magna Bank, Pontoon and Maryville roads, Feb. 5 and charged. Bond on the warrants is \$15,000 each.

Both were transported to the Madison County Jail, where Sheridan posted bail and was released. Sanford was still in custody Thursday.

Bank employees became suspicious when the two, were attempting to open checking and savings accounts under fictitious names, according to a police report.

Police arrested Sheridan and Sanford, who later gave sworn statements, the report states.

Both St. Louis address listed on the identification cards is actually a vacant school building, the report adds.

The false identification cards were obtained at driver's license facilities in Belleville and East St. Louis, the report adds.

—From the Alton Telegraph

# Concerned ticket captures top spot on Nameoki ballot

The Concerned About Nameoki Party slate in Nameoki Township will be listed first on the April 20 election ballot.

Concerned About Nameoki (CAN) will be followed by the Township Improvement Party (TIP) and then the Positive Action Party (PAP) on the ballot.

A lottery was held at the Township building Feb. 10 to determine the order of placement on the ballot.

Under Illinois election law, candidates' names appear on the ballot under the office they are seeking in the order in which they file petitions. If more than one candidate for a particular office is present when the filing period opens, those candidates are considered to have filed simultaneously and a lottery is held to determine the order in which their names will appear.

All three tickets filed their

petitions simultaneously Feb. 1. Candidates who filed second and above Nameoki ticket are Irene Karlechik for supervisor; Judy K. Merritt for clerk; Loren Madison for highway commissioner; James Noeth for assessor; Shirley Harper for collector; and Charles L. Ladd, Jr., Charles R. Harold "Gee" Briggs and incumbent Joseph Garcia for trustees.

Ken Davis heads the Township Improvement Party ticket, which includes current supervisor Lee Ridgeway for clerk; William "Bill" Ellis for highway commissioner; incumbent Carl Macios for assessor; Jeanette Wilson for collector; and Sam Stoyanoff, Wade Rallison, incumbent Steve Isenborg and current highway commissioner W. Lee Adams for trustees.

The Political Action Party slate consists of Louis "Lou" Whitsell for supervisor; incum-

bent Helen Haworth for clerk; Harry Blockley for highway commissioner; Robert "Bob" Bartholemey for assessor; Peggy Lachmiller for collector; and Randy Ballew, Charles Favier, Michael N. Nance and Ruth Adress for trustees.

In Pontoon Beach, a lottery will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, to determine the placement of the two parties which filed for slate of candidates for the three trustee positions to be elected. All three incumbents are seeking re-election.

The Concerned About Pontoon Party lists Kerry Ervay and incumbents Bob Douglas and Marvin Ribbing.

The Positive For Progress Party ticket includes former trustee Robert "Bob" Vincent, Michael "Mike" Macek and incumbent Robert Abel.

## Haine, school officials predict more cooperation on crime

Madison County school officials and State's Attorney William Haine are predicting closer cooperation between schools and law enforcement authorities.

Six administrators, including Alton Superintendent David Van Winkle, expressed reservations last month after Haine advocated get-tough policies at a forum on crime and education.

Among other things, Haine said he would ask school districts to adopt policies on the use of metal detectors and drug-sniffing dogs to root out guns and drugs.

At their meeting Thursday, Haine told administrators the policies are needed, but promised he would not act except at the request of school officials and police. VanWinkle was out of town and did not attend the meeting.

"We aren't going to be coming in like John Wayne and we won't be coming with the Hound of the

Baskervilles," he said. "It'll be more like Rin-Tin-Tin or Lassie."

Haine asked school officials to support legislation to mandate that administrators report serious crimes in and around schools to authorities.

The legislation also would require state attorneys to negotiate with police officials when students are charged with wrongdoing away from school.

Haine said those measures are being drafted by the Illinois State's Attorneys Association and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police.

Haine also asked for support for enhanced penalties for crimes committed in and around schools. That measure, backed by the Illinois Attorneys' Group and expected to be introduced in the Legislature in a few days.

Haine told the school officials he "never meant to infer that our schools are terrible places or

anything of the sort." He called county schools "very well-run" and "very good places for learning."

Still, he said, there are problems with drugs, guns and alcohol.

"I believe we're on our way to getting any problem we have with school law enforcement," Haine said. He said he seeks a situation where "the students who want to learn can learn ... and those people who do not want to learn are not here."

Collinsville Superintendent Jack Renfro said school officials should be supportive of Haine.

Regional Superintendent of Schools Harry Briggs said the meeting "established an air of cooperation."

Haine said he was pleased with the meeting.

"Our common goal is a sanctuary where a student can learn," he said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## Decision due on juvenile center

The Madison County Board will decide this week whether to ask voters for a temporary two-cent property tax to build a new juvenile detention home.

After almost two years of the Madison Board's Finance, Buildings and Health Institutions Committees voted 8-2 Thursday to impose a special tax of two cents per \$100 assessed valuation to pay for \$4 million in construction costs for a new juvenile facility.

The full board is scheduled to vote on the proposal at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday.

If the board approves the proposal, it would be placed on the April 20 ballot, since any new property tax needs voter approval.

The new tax, which would

automatically cease once bonds issued to pay for the building are repaid, would cost the owner of a \$75,000 home assessed at \$25,000 about \$4 a year.

Some committee members are skeptical about the proposal's chances of passing in April, in large part because the county proposal would not be the only tax-increase referendum on the ballot.

The Edwardsville School District will be asking voters for permission to raise almost \$30 million for a new high school, a plan that could cost some homeowners as much as \$135 more a year.

The county, however, is under the gun to do something about violations of state codes at the juvenile home. The Illinois At-

orney General's Office is threatening to sue if the county does not bring the home up to code.

If voters reject a special juvenile home in April, the board could attempt another referendum in November or dip into reserves to finance construction.

A new juvenile home is expected to cost between \$87,000 and \$100,000 per bed, which puts the final cost in the neighborhood of \$4 million.

Some committee members had suggested using a portion of the county's \$10.9 million surplus fund to pay for a new juvenile center but they apparently abandoned that position Thursday.

On February 24, 1993 at 10:00 A.M. there will be a sale to enforce the warehouseman's lien according to the SELF-STORAGE ACT passed in 1985.

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**Practicing** — Members of Granite City's Community Band held its weekly practice Thursday evening at St. John United Church of Christ. Above, Billie Nunn is all smiles as she readies the cymbals for a finale. At left, clarinetist Jim Morris and Mary Alvarez concentrate on the music. At bottom, Kathy Morris plays the flute. The band practices every Thursday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at St. John United Church of Christ on Nameoki Road. New members may join at any time by showing up with their instrument.

**FACES IN THE CROWD**  
(Photos by DIANA KINDER)

# Opinion

4A—Granite City Sunday Home Journal—February 14, 1993



WELL BE BACK BY TEN.. IN THE MEANTIME, FILL OUT THESE IRS FORMS FOR PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP, SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE BENEFITS.

## 'Hate crime' statistics show need for Americans to live up to ideals

By U.S. Sen. Paul Simon

In 1989, I introduced a bill calling on the U.S. attorney general to keep track of "hate crimes," committed against people or property because they belong to some group — white, black, Jewish, Catholic, gay, Indian, Puerto Rican, whatever.

The bill passed and President Bush signed it into law.

The attorney general authorized the FBI to tabulate the data, and their first report has now been issued, not giving any clear national picture because only 27 percent of the police agencies cooperated — not because of opposition, but because it is new to most departments of state police agencies.

In Maryland, there was 100 percent cooperation because they

haven't had such a law on the books for several years.

Illinois has not and had only some police departments cooperating. Starting in 1992, Illinois law requires all police departments to cooperate.

A hate crime is one in which there is a clear motivation against someone for reasons of prejudice.

For example, if a white person kills a black person or a black kills a white, that is not a hate crime unless the killer said to a friend, "I had to get one of them" or made some similar indication of motivation.

With roughly one-fourth of the police departments in the nation cooperating, 4,558 hate-crime incidents were reported in 1991.

The crimes varied from 12

murders to 1,614 acts of intimidation.

Property damage accounted for 1,301 incidents, such as painting a swastika on a synagogue or throwing a brick through the window of the home of an African-American family moving into a white neighborhood.

Racial bias motivated six of 10 offenses, religious bias two of 10, ethnic, one of 10, and anti-homosexual attitude, one of 10. Of the hate crimes, 35 percent were against blacks, 19 percent were against whites, and 6 percent were against Asian-Americans.

Of the ethnic crimes, nationally, more than half were against Hispanics, but in Illinois there were more crimes against Arab-Americans.

Of the religious crimes, more

than half were against Jews, with anti-Catholic crimes being next highest.

All of this will become more significant in future years when we have fuller information and we learn whether these crimes are increasing or decreasing.

What we do know already is that we have problems.

The failure to catch out and understand another is a problem only between Muslims and Orthodox and Catholics in Bosnia, not simply between Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland, not simply between Jews and Arabs in the Middle East. It is a problem in our neighborhoods and communities.

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I am a working man, and have been so all of my life. I believe strongly in the values of hard work. As I have done all my public life, I will work hard to put the interest of the people first and always. With your help, we will build the bridge that will guarantee a transition of progress, unity and prosperity.

In promoting cooperation instead of confrontation, pulling together instead of pulling apart, in "building the bridge to our future", we will literally change the face of Granite City politics. It will be a slow, and at times, hard process. But we have to take the first small steps. It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness. It is time to start anew.

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## Immorality eroding nation's future

TO THE EDITOR:

Repent and be saved. God is calling us to repent and turn from our indifference to Him, to His laws. His standard of right and wrong.

Admit that we are wrong, that we have cast aside the restraints that have been placed on us by God's Word.

Our great ship America is fast going under; only the upper stern is still visible. Standing on the hull are men and women, boys and girls, soon to be swal-

lowed up in the sea of evil forces that have slowly seeped into the great vessel, now becoming an overflowing ocean swallowing up America.

There is only one chance for us to turn now. Call out to God for forgiveness. Turn from wickedness, return to the places of worship and live by the standards He has given us in His Word. II Chronicles 7:14 is our only hope.

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**Mr. Chairmen** — Heads of the county boards of three of Illinois' most populous counties get together after a meeting Tuesday in Collinsville. From left are St. Clair County Board Chairman John Baricevic, Cook County Board President Richard Phelan and Madison County Board Chairman Nelson Hagnauer. Many area officials called for an end to unfunded state mandates during the meeting.

## Crime-free zones set for schools

Federal prosecutors want to stake out crime-free turf around area schools.

Warning signs will mark areas around schools where penalties are greater for drug deliveries.

The program is sponsored by the office of U.S. Attorney Frederick Hech of the Southern District of Illinois.

Federal prosecutors will also be helping state's attorneys in prosecuting such offenses, said Deirdre Durborow, community relations coordinator with the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Both federal and state laws provide more severe penalties for drug sales within 1,000 feet of schools, Durborow said.

"We want to mark the borders of the school zones at the four corners where the 1,000 feet begins," she said.

"In Texas, where this program started, people soon began to

learn where the 1,000 feet was," Durborow said. "It's not going to end the problem, but it carves out little drug-free areas."

Durborow said a community fund created through a lawsuit award paid for signs posted around East St. Louis schools in 1989.

Local financial support is being sought to extend the program to Alton, she said. "We're confident of local contributions in Alton," Durborow said.

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine said he endorses the program.

"It's another effort to give notice that schools should be free from guns and drugs," Haine said.

He said only a few people create the problems.

"The effort must be to weed them out and remove them," Haine said.

Tree sale planned in county in spring

The Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold a tree sale again this spring.

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## SIU board approves bond sale for construction of dormitories

CARBONDALE — The sale of \$20 million in revenue bonds, including \$13.6 million for SIUE dormitory construction, has been approved by the SIU Board of Trustees.

A 500-bed residence hall is planned near Tower Lake Apartments on the campus of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The location selected is at the site of the present University Police office.

The dormitory will house freshmen and sophomores. Monthly rental charges will pay off the bonds.

Another action Thursday, the SIU Board of Trustees authorized an installment payment program for fees paid by SIUE students. SIUE officials will submit a plan for approval by Chancellor James Brown, to be effective with the fall term.

The plan is intended to ease the financial impact on students as the campus converts from quarters to semesters beginning in the fall.

Proposed increases of 3 percent to 7 percent in housing rental rates at the SIUE campus are scheduled for action at the board's March 11 meeting in Edwardsville.

The new rates, presented to the board Thursday, would become effective with the summer term if approved. They are designed to offset projected increases in operating costs.

Also before the board is a proposal to put single-student housing rental rates on a per-term

rather than monthly basis. The board Thursday re-elected A.D. "Met" Jr. as its chairman. Also re-elected were Molly D'Esposito as vice chair and George T. Wilkins Jr. as secretary.

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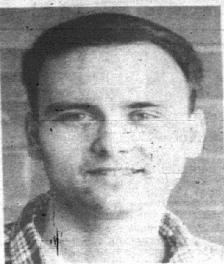
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## THE VOICE BOX:

Do you think the United States should become more involved or less involved in the war in Yugoslavia?

By T.W. MILLER



**John Bunch**, Granite City  
"I think we should become more involved because of all the bloodshed that is going on over there. Besides, we're the only super power left to do anything about it."

**Les Rinehart**, Mitchell  
"Less involved, because it's a European affair."

**Lloyd Matchell**, Granite City  
"Less, because we have spent too much money over there the way it is."

**Dorothy Raftery**, Granite City  
"Less involved, because I think we have had enough wars."

**Dusty Johnson**, Granite City  
"Less, because it is not really our problem."

## Bosses don't care, Aid caseworker says

**SPRINGFIELD** — The indifference shown to complaints from福利署 workers at the East Alton office "did a lot for the morale of the workers and they really appreciated it, but I don't think the administration appreciated it."

"Maybe it's also helped the employees to be more assertive. It's not that we don't want to get their benefits to them or take the time to listen to them. Hopefully they will understand more about what we have to deal with from higher management in Springfield," she said.

Once again, it shows (top administrators) don't care about the people we service nor do they care about their employees," said Rita Knowles of East Alton, a 20-year Public Assistance worker.

Knowles responded to

comments by agency spokesman Dean Schott, who said there are no plans to hire additional caseworkers. Schott also said caseworkers after some time workers were laid off in December were "not increased that dramatically."

"It's not going to change with the Edgar administration in the same way it did with [Gov. Bill] '94" (when he is up for re-election). He'll find out what (President) Bush found out."

Knowles said a recent newspaper series, which appeared last month in the Granite City

**Press/Record-Journal**, detailing complaints by workers in the East Alton office "did a lot for the morale of the workers and they really appreciated it, but I don't think the administration appreciated it."

"Maybe it's also helped the employees to be more assertive. It's not that we don't want to get their benefits to them or take the time to listen to them. Hopefully they will understand more about what we have to deal with from higher management in Springfield," she said.

Knowles acknowledged some supervisors at the East Alton office were upset by the comments she and others made that it was unfair for six non-supervisors to be laid off when no supervisors lost their jobs.

"We've got good supervisors and we don't want any of them to feel bad about what's fair," Knowles said.

"Our supervisors (in East Alton) are caught in the middle between higher-ups telling them what to do and ... the flask from us."

Knowles also charged that upper management repeatedly

ignores common-sense suggestions from those in the field offices.

For example, Knowles said, workers have said it would be more efficient if they were able to specialize more. Now they are overwhelmed by having to constantly switch programs for a variety of programs while interviewing clients in the office and on the telephone.

She said that, when the office staff was recently required to work with a supervisor from the Public Aid training department, the caseworkers were "just rolling" with laughter.

"They find this man sitting at a desk with just a phone and paper and pen who answered one call and wrote down all the information. He had about 50 file folders on his desk versus the 300 or more we have. It was ridiculous."

For real life, caseworkers at the office cannot even get Springfield to approve requests for more file cabinets so workers don't have to pile up their desk

or use paper boxes, Knowles said.

Despite the request being raised at labor-management meetings for two years, Public Aid officials in Springfield are still studying it, she said.

"This is typical. All we're asking is for file cabinets to be better organized and for a safer office."

"I know they have file cabinets in storage in Springfield ... but we can't get any because they don't listen to employees."

— From the Alton Telegraph

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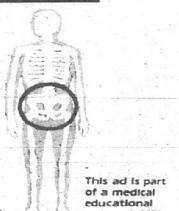
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## Business profile



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)  
Fat Archie's owner, Archie Lopardus, center, with his wife, Judie, left, and daughter, Becky, who works in the restaurant also.

## Restaurant in new location

Before Archie Lopardus and his wife, Judie, found the first permanent location for their business, they would carry their barbecue grill behind the truck they drove and park at sports events.

They found a following for their barbecue items and decided to open a restaurant at 3005 Edwardsville Road in February 1990.

The small "hole in the wall" attracted truck drivers, mill workers and other faithful local customers, but Archie Lopardus decided the place wasn't big enough, so he moved on to a bigger and better location at 2900 East 23rd Street in Granite City.

Fat Archie's Barbecue offers a variety of barbecue specialties, plus fish and fried chicken, hamburgers, fries, steaks, tacos and daily specials.

The business has about 15 full- and part-time employees.

Archie's daughter, Becky Lopardus, is the restaurant manager and his niece, Barb Swenker, and daughter-in-law, Sheila Lopardus, also work in the restaurant.

Archie and Judie Lopardus attend church at Tri-City Park Tabernacle.

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The following suggestions might be helpful in assisting your children and grandchildren in acquiring the financial skills they will need to be financially successful in the future:

Start early:

Establishing a bank account for a child is the beginning of a lifetime of financial education. For example, grandparents could open a passbook savings account depositing the cash gift they give at a child's baptism. A passbook account is ideally suited for a child's savings.

Deposits should be made at regular intervals. When the child is five or six, they could be taken to the bank to make the deposits themselves.

Learn the fundamentals: Nothing facilitates the learning process faster than personal experience.

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Brian  
Mulhall

school ideally serves this end. Following the stock in the local paper or the Wall Street Journal soon becomes a natural part of reading the quarterly report and the annual report is a great learning experience.

Before long, the language of the stock exchange will be mastered.

To receive such a gift, all one needs to do is call up a stockbroker, open an account and make a purchase order.

The parent or some other adult should be listed as the owner under the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act or Uniform Transfers to Minors Act for the benefit of the child.

Choosing a stock: If you don't know what stock to pick, investment professionals often suggest a blue-chip stock. A blue-chip stock is from a company that has long-term

stock outstanding, is a recognized name, and has an annual dividend yield in the 4 percent area.

Examples of such companies include IBM, T, & Co., Cola, Exxon, General Electric, etc.

A mutual fund is an alternative consideration and would also provide the child with more diversification, since mutual funds invest in many different companies.

Investment confidence:

Skeptics often have numerous reservations against an investment program.

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So teach your child or grandchild a head start, regardless of their age.

It will assist them in attaining a much-needed financial lesson that most of their peers will never receive, or receive too late.

If you help your children learn the basics today, their investment decisions will be much easier.

(Brian Mulhall of Granite City is associated with a St. Louis area financial services company.)

## New sales associate joins Coldwell Banker

Lynn Rieger has joined the sales staff of Coldwell Banker St. Louis.

Lynn and her husband, Bill, have two children. Their daughter, Dusty, is a student at Granite City High School and their son, Dustin, is a student at Grigsby Junior High School.

She has been employed by the School District, working in several different capacities, for the last five years.

Lynn and her family have been members of the First Assembly of God for the past 12 years. Her hobbies include bowling and painting ceramics. She has been a volunteer at the Crisis Pregnancy Center and is the second vice president of the PTA at Grigsby Junior High School.

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## Local dairy receives award

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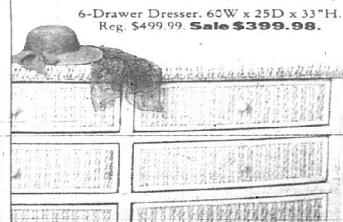
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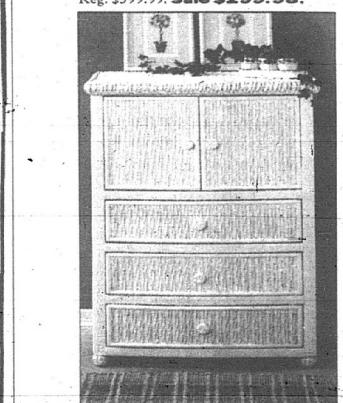
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## •Proposals

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We had dated for several years and were planning a vacation to Jamaica. My husband, unknown to me, planned for months before we left to surprise me and ask me to marry him.

He arranged all of the details of the wedding, which was to take place in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

We arrived on a Tuesday and that night we were in an outdoor hot tub at the resort. It was a beautiful Caribbean night, stars shining on the water, waves hitting the rocks below us. He got down on one knee and put my wedding ring on my finger and asked me to marry him.

I was the most happy and excited of my life. I could not believe this was happening. After a few moments, I caught my breath and asked him when he wanted to get married. He said, "How about this Saturday?"

It was a very romantic, ballistic. I couldn't believe this was really happening. I caught my breath again, and then he told me two of our best friends were flying in Thursday to stand up for us at the wedding.

I was in orbit. In a span of about half an hour, I found out I was engaged. I was getting married in four days, and our best friends were going to be there.

Wow!

We were married Aug. 11 at 11 a.m. in Montego Bay in a gazebo that was on the edge of the Caribbean sea.

My husband arranged the wedding, my wedding dress, the pictures and video of the wedding, and our friends' to be there. I also found out later that I had carried my ring in a special case in the camera case the entire trip.

That was two and one-half years ago and my head is still spinning. Wow!

MIKE and KAREN MILLER

We are planning a May 1 wedding.

JULIE CANN and DENNIS WILMSMEYER

Granite City

I've been married four years to a wonderful man, his name is Dennis. He was never a romantic person.

When he asked me to marry him, he came over to my parents' house. My mom let him in and he came into my room and woke me up and sat on my bed. He asked me if I was awake yet. I said, "I guess I am."

Then he asked me if I loved him. I said, "Yes, why?" Then he asked me if I'd be able to put up with him the rest of my life.

Dennis had planned the day's occurrences and had a conversation at St. Louis University Medical Center and my mother. But prior to this, Dennis had met with both our parents to ask them for my hand in marriage.

My co-workers were to take me to the hospital cafeteria at a specific time set by everyone involved. While we were eating lunch, Dennis walked into the cafeteria with a dozen roses and a small box in the other hand.

Dennis approached our table and got down on one knee, handed the box to me, and asked me to marry him. Of course, I said "Yes."

My greatest surprise was long ago when we first met, 13 years ago, to be exact.

I knew at first glance that he

was the right kind of guy for me, but our young loves took us separate ways, not knowing our destiny.

Two years had passed when we re-met. Did I marry him? Yes, you bet!

To my surprise, I came to find out that he, too, had noticed me without a doubt. After miles of distance, we had met again, we were reunited without refrain.

Our courtship grew stronger with each and every day and our engagement came about in exactly this way.

I planned for dinner with my man and his friends, I married and primped with my nerves on end.

That very same day I had casually announced, "he" were to ask, "my" engagement would be pronounced. Having no real idea what his heart had decided, I arrived at his place, my hand soon to be guided.

He was so calm and cool with the ease of a butterfly, my stomach was nervous and I didn't know why.

He handed me a card all wrapped in red; his friends

could wait, is what he said. I read the card, so precious and sweet, as flowers stood high for my eyes to meet.

Under the vase lay a few written words, sending me on a scavenger hunt like you've never

thing.

I ran around the table like a spastic little squirrel. On the second time around, he gave me a whirr.

I giggled and cried as my eyes had one more look and, without hesitation, his proposal I took.

We have been as one now, for just over a year, and with him by my side, nothing I fear.

Through thick and thin, through sweet and tart, my husband and best friend will forever hold my heart.

I love you all the world,

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NAOMI SIEDHOFF

Granite City

My fiance, Jim Terzioski, proposed to me on the day after

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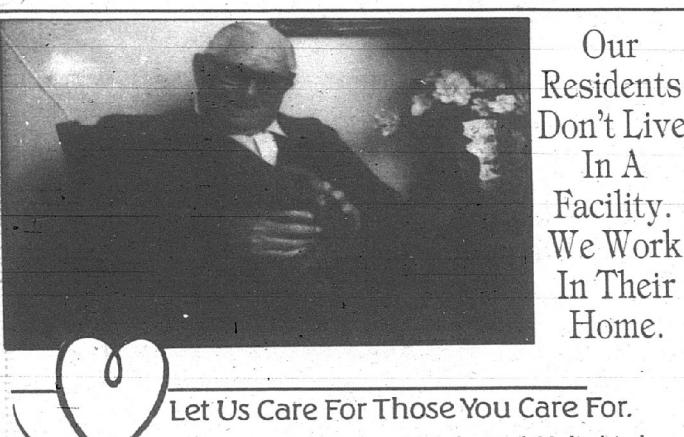
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## NEWS

## Contributions sought for telephones for needy

Telephone customers in Illinois are being asked to make contributions to a new program helping needy households across the state get basic phone service. The voluntary contributions will be eligible for federal matching funds.

The new Illinois Telephone Assistance Program will be administered by the Illinois Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation (UTAC), to be made up of representatives of local telephone companies and consumer-interest groups.

Local telephone company customers are being notified of the program through an insert in their February phone bills. Customers can contribute to the program by having a fixed amount added to their monthly bill.

Residential customers will be able to select one of four donation amounts: 50 cents, \$1, \$2, or \$5. Business customers may automatically contribute \$1, \$5, \$10 or \$25.

Phone contributions may be made directly to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation (UTAC), c/o the Illinois Telephone Assistance, 300 East Monroe, Springfield, IL 62701.

After making contributions for six months, the UTAC will recommend the type of Assistance program to be offered, subject to Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) approval. Options may include a portion of the initial service installation charges for eligible low-income households or to provide eligible customers with a fixed reduction on their monthly phone bill.

UTAC will manage the Illinois Telephone Assistance Program, which waives 50 percent, up to \$30, of initial telephone service installation charges, beginning with new service installed on or after March 1. The telephone assistance program is supported entirely by federal funds. More than 600,000 persons now are receiving information about this program in mailings from the Illinois Department of Public Aid.

The two programs were developed to take advantage of pro-

grams that recognize that the telephone truly can be a lifeline in emergency situations and a critical link to family, doctors, schools and employers.

—H.R. Gentsch  
Telephone executive

al funds available to help low-income households pay for basic phone service.

Persons who participate in Department of Public Aid programs or who receive food stamps may be eligible for assistance.

...While most of us take the telephone for granted, five percent of households in Illinois still don't have basic phone service," said H.R. Gentsch, executive vice president and general manager of Harrisonville Telephone Company. "These programs recognize that the telephone truly can be a lifeline in emergency situations and a critical link to family, doctors, schools and employers. It's important that we in Illinois make every effort to capture federal funds that can bring phone service to more households."

Gentsch stated that customer questions about either program should call 939-6112.

The new programs are similar to assistance programs which were introduced in 1988 and 1991. The earlier programs were dropped after customer complaints about a 15-cent per month surcharge on phone bills which was used to help fund a reduction in low-income customers' monthly bills. After that controversy, the Illinois General Assembly passed a law requiring the ICC to establish guidelines for a voluntary assistance program.

## •Proposals

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my birthday, Oct. 23, 1992. It was very romantic. He picked me up from work in a white limousine. The driver brought a dozen boxed pink roses into where I work just before I closed.

We went to dinner at a fancy restaurant in Clayton, the Cheshire Inn. After dinner, we went on a horse and carriage ride for an hour through Clayton and Forest Park.

In the carriage were a dozen boxed red roses. After the ride, we got back into the limo and went to a place where there were a dozen pink, white and red roses in a vase, and there were a dozen single red roses. Both boxes came with a ring and two glasses.

On the desk there was a present. When I opened the present, inside was a Precious Moments figurine of a boy asking a girl to marry him.

I looked at this, and when I turned to look at Jim, he got down on one knee and, with a ring in his hand, said, "Will you marry me?" I said "Yes" and began to cry.

EDIE HARD

Jan. 7 was our 15th wedding anniversary.

My husband and I had planned a weekend at Pere Marquette Lodge. As we left for our weekend retreat, we stopped by the MHC Club to see our parents.

When we entered the downstairs hall, we were greeted with a loud "Surprise!" About 30 to 40 of our friends and relatives had gathered for a "surprise" wedding.

My husband had planned a whole wedding. There were a cake and decorations, food and even a wedding dress. My oldest daughter and sister were maid of honor.

My husband's brother and our oldest son were best men. A niece and nephew were flower girl and ringbearer. My sister-in-law and her mother had been very busy making formal dresses and vests.

We renewed our marriage vows under an arch of balloons. The minister was from the church we were first married in.

To make it all off, when the part of the ceremony came to exchanging rings, my husband replaced my original wedding rings with brand new ones.

I now have two terrific memories of marrying the man I love.

JANET MEYERS



## St. Louis woman wins jackpot

SPRINGFIELD — A St. Louis woman will spend the majority of her \$18 million winnings from the Feb. 6 Illinois Lottery on building a non-denominational church.

Janice Lee, 31, purchased her winning ticket at the Route 3 Gift Shop and Lottery in Saugat. The retailer will receive a 1 percent bonus of \$180,000.

Lee came to the U.S. from Hong Kong in 1972, leaving her family behind. She plans on calling them soon and will have to pay her a visit.

She didn't find out she was the winner until last Sunday, when her coworkers checked the numbers in a newspaper. "I couldn't sleep. I can't eat either," Lee said.

Lee quit her job as a paralegal and Chinese/English translator for a St. Louis law firm on Monday.

## "Weight" A Minute

Memorial Hospital's Project Trim  
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### Program:

"Project Trim" is an eight-week weight loss program developed by the St. Louis Dietetic Association. This program is based on behavior modification with a specific plan and goal for each participant. An exercise program is also available.

**Date and Time:**  
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6:30 to 8 p.m.

**Cost:**  
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\* The exercise program includes a FULL 2 MONTH MEMBERSHIP TO THE BELLEVILLE HEALTH AND SPORTS CENTER. Special introductory classes will be held.

**Place:**  
"Project Trim" is held in Memorial Hospital's auditorium.

The exercise program is held at Belleville Health and Sports Center, 1001 S. 74th Street, Belleville.

**Information:**  
Class size is limited. To register, call Memorial's Community Relations Department at (618) 233-7750, Ext. 5649



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The general public is not aware that over \$10 billion is available to students from private sector scholarships. Over \$20.4 billion from the federal government.

In a U.S. Congressional study, it was reported that, "Over \$6.6 billion of private sector financial aid went unused because parents and students did not know where to apply." A conservative college tuition estimate for a student runs from \$10,000-\$30,000. High scoring colleges run from \$40,000-\$100,000 - and this tuition is per year.

Many scholarships pay the entire tuition. Otherwise, students combine applicable scholarships together to form one large tuition payment. The different scholarships include: junior colleges, career and vocational schools, four year colleges, graduate schools, and medical and law schools.

For information on obtaining a scholarship list, send a S.A.S.E. to: The U.S. Chamber of Commerce For Higher Education, P.O. Box 1161, Hanford, Calif. 93232.

## Foster care families being sought

Hoyleton Youth and Family Services is seeking caring and nurturing families to provide foster care for children while their parents learn to become better parents.

The Family Reunification Program is an intensive six-month program for families whose children are wards of the state. Foster parents are needed for these children while their biological parents receive counseling and learn positive parenting skills to reduce or eliminate the reasons the children were removed from the family.

Foster families will be provided with specialized training to work with parents and children. Requirements for foster families include: love and willingness to help families and children.

Hoyleton Youth and Family Services serves more than 2,000 troubled youth and families a year throughout Southern Illinois.

For more information, contact Shelly Byndom or Diederie Buchanan, at 398-0900.

## Nameoki Women's Club meets

The January meeting of the Nameoki Women's Club was held at the Harold Brown Recreation Center. Marian Mertz presiding. Ellis Wade gave the thought for the day.

Thank-you notes were received from Church Women United, the Salvation Army and St. Elizabeth's Center for Christmas donations.

Phoenix House will be given a household shower at the Feb. 17 meeting.

Virginia Little was voted into club membership. Mabel

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J. Albert and Bev Calaway

## Evangelists to speak at 1st Assembly

The First Assembly of God Church, 24th Street and Grand Avenue, will hold special services today (Sunday) featuring evangelists J. Albert and Bev Calaway.

The Calaways will be featured at Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., the morning worship service at 10:30 and the evening worship service at 6:30.

In addition, an adults-only session will be held at 7 p.m. Monday.

The Calaways are known for ministering to hurting families. Their personal family burden includes the trauma of their 19-year-old son who became involved in drugs, alcohol and, after resulting troubles with the law, was sentenced to a long term in prison.

The Calaways have shared their heartaches, hopes and victories on several television programs, including the 700 Club, 100 Huntley Street, PTL and TBN.

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## FAMILY



With NBC radio correspondent Peter Maer, center, are Anita Eftimoff, left, and Vasil Eftimoff.

## Eftimoffs meet correspondent

Local residents Anita and Vasil Eftimoff met Peter Maer, radio correspondent for NBC, at Charlottesville, Va., Jan. 16 prior to President-elect Bill Clinton's Sunday motorcade from Thomas Jefferson's Monticello home in Washington, D.C.

Vasil, raised and educated in Granite City, has been a member of the White House Press Corps since the Reagan administration. While assigned to George Bush, Pete accompanied for former president overseas 35 of the 37 trips made during his four years in office.

As a member of the working press, Pete was aboard one of the nine bright-yellow buses that carried the motorcade from Monticello, Culpepper, Va., for church services and then on to Washington, D.C., for the official opening of the inaugural ceremony.

The Eftimoffs said they joined the motorcade. They stayed in Washington, D.C., attending various receptions, two balls, the swearing in ceremonies, and other private parties.

While a student at Coolidge Junior High School, Peter Maer was in Dr. Eftimoff's 7th and 8th grade Language Arts' class.

## Grigsby announces honor rolls

Ken Spalding, principal of Grigsby Junior High, has announced first semester High Honor Roll students and Honor Roll students.

These students are to be commended for their excellence in achieving academic recognition, he said. This achievement is the result of consistent dedication and hard work.

### Honor Roll:

Erin Ballew, Bobby Bergfeld, Leanna Blaylock, Derrick Brock, Jennifer Burris, Kathryn Cooper, Amanda Crawford, Michael David, Eric Edwards, Tarra Falter, Matthew Foley, Christopher Fraley, Daniel Free, Brenda Fritzsche, Kimberly Greer, Matthew Hawkins, Valerie Henson, Joseph Hensel, Jennifer Hensel, Sharon Jones, Richard Kiser, Chad Kleindorfer, Daniel Kratz, Susan Light, Brandon Martinez, Robert Mathenia, Joshua McCunney, Elizabeth McKechnie, Rachel Mefford, Steven Mennenga, Jason Mertz, Scott Mills, David Moore, B Neidhardt, Andrew Onay, Brandon Pope, Rachel Rees, Travis Revelle, Shannon Roth, Sarah Saebens, Steven Sander, Carla Simon, Marlene Smith, Sarah Stigall, Amanda Solini, Daniel Stagman, Charles Stepanek, Amanda Supp, Adam Tanase, Bill Tindall, Robert Turck, Jamie Warren, Matt Weissensberg, Vincent Willard, Jenna Wright.

Honor Roll: Casey Ashby, Angela Bailey, Donald Baker, Kara Ballew, Jacob Bathon, Dennis Beasley, Melissa Ber-

naix, Joshua Bernot, Shannon Bishop, AJA Blount, Crystal Bolton, Stephanie Brant, Natalie Brattin, Christopher Bush, Joshua Church, Ryan Cochran, Michelle Colwell, Corissa Coursey, Kathryn Curraff, Chasity Davis, Jonathan Decker, Natalie Denny, Nathan Dickerson, Lisa Dillon, Michaela Dill, Sandra Dill, Jeremy Ellis, Connie Evans, Amber Giese, Christy Gilmore, Cynthia Gorka, Erin Hamilton, Melissa Hammond, Valerie Hollens, Andrea Harris, Dennis Hollom, Nicholas Honik, Scott Jackson, Brian Johnson, Christopher Jones, Megan Judge, Brian Kamaduski, Karen Knox, Steven Light, Patrick Logan, Teresa Martin, Jennifer Martin, Jennifer McAllister, Jennifer McKeal, Todd McQueen, Jessica Mefford, Gregory Meyer, Meilissa Meyer, Amy Miller, Matthew Milton, Michelle Montgomery, Douglas Mueller, Patti Myers, Michael Nale, Amanda Nalewski, Marcella Nault, Emily Novosel, Christina Parker, Heather Perkins, Jamie Pryor, Ryan Relke, Kristin Ribbing, Carrie Richardson, Matthew Riley, Catherine Robins, Rebecca Robinson, Holly Ryan, Julie Sasse, Sidney Ridner, Brandi Simmons, Melissa Skinner, Robert Slater, Marissa Sleeks, Kelly Sparks, Michael Summers, Sonja Switala, Crystal Timmons, Michael Tipton, Jennifer Tipton, Corey Wallace, Shannon Walsh, Stacey Wampler, Amanda White, Karla Williams, Jennifer Williams, Garth Wittmann, Matthew Yehing and Dawn Zaruba.

## Evening Circle plans party for center residents

The Evening Circle of the First Presbyterian Church met in the home of Betty Rea.

Chairman Gladys Fuhrman opened the meeting with scripture, reading Luke 6:20-38 followed by prayer.

Plans were discussed for a birthday party for the residents of Colonial Care Center in Granite City. Members were reminded that the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began on the 18th.

Minutes were ready by Secretary Betty Rea.

John gave the Mission Yearbook of Prayer, remembering Nicaragua.

The Fellowship of the Least Coin entitled, "Jesus Heals the lame Man," a voice from the Son of Israel, was read by Betty Schmedake.

The evening lesson, "Beware of Partiality," was presented by Gladys Fuhrman; it emphasized that "partiality" or "acts of favoritism" are inconsistent with Christian faith. Scripture from James 2:1-13 was used in the lesson. Following a discussion, the lesson concluded with prayer.

The gathering closed as the members formed a circle and repeated the Mizpah.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to Barbara Landis, Shirley Yates, Burdine Holtzschreiber, Gladys Fuhrman, Gladys Page, Betty Schmedake and June Jones.

## Lyons named to DePauw dean's list

Lisbeth Ann Lyons of Granite City is among 386 DePauw University students who have been recognized for outstanding academic performance and named to the dean's list for the fall semester at DePauw University. Lyons is a junior at DePauw.

To be eligible for the deans list at DePauw, a student must earn at least a 3.5, grade-point average out of a possible 4.0 points.

Founded in 1837, DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., is a selective coeducational liberal arts university with nationally recognized academic programs.

Fortune Magazine in 1990 ranked DePauw as 11th among all colleges and universities in the nation in terms of the likelihood that its graduates will become chief executive officer of top American companies.

DePauw ranks 10th in the nation among private, liberal arts colleges and universities as measured by the number of Ph.D. degrees in all fields, according to a 1986 survey by Franklin and Marshall College.

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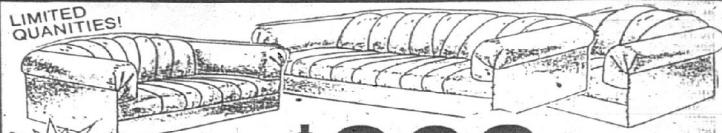
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**USA's Little Miss Illinois named**

Shannon Nicole Stapleton received the top awards of the day at the preliminary USA's Little Miss Illinois pageant held Jan. 24 at the Granite City Township Hall.

Shannon competed in the 8-9 age division of the pageant and was crowned age division queen and photogenic queen. Shannon received overall awards for Best Fashion, Best Sportswear and Most Beautiful.

She also won the top honors of all age divisions in the pageant by being named Supreme Queen and Supreme Talent Queen. To win both supreme crowns, Shannon had to win the talent competition by at least 5 points.

For her first talent selection, Shannon played the piano to a piece by David Carr Glover, entitled "The Great Smokey Mountains." For her second talent she performed a ballet/gymnastics routine from the opera Carmen choreographed by Toni Pollack of the Dance Studio.

For the title, qualified Shannon to compete in the USA's Little Miss Illinois State Pageant, to be held in Quincy, Illinois June 19.

Shannon is a 4th grade student at Wilson Elementary School and is active in gymnastics, modeling, ballet and piano. Shannon is a member of Glitter Girls owned and operated by Rhonda Vest-Nolan.

Shannon is the daughter of Mary and Lisa Stapleton of Granite City and the granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. Bob Jones of Granite City and Mr. and Mrs. George Stapleton of Marion.



Shannon Stapleton

**School menus****Granite City Public Schools**

Monday - Breakfast: French toast sticks, diced pears; lunch: slice of pizza, french fries, applesauce.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Cereal with fresh fruit; lunch: Baked ravioli with meat sauce, tossed salad, cheese bread, sliced peaches.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Manager's choice; lunch: Manager's choice.

Thursday - Breakfast: Biscuits with gravy, sliced apples; lunch: Sloppy Joe on bun, french fries, fresh fruit.

Friday - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit cup; lunch: Fish sandwich on bun, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, diced pears.

**Madison Public Schools**  
Monday - Breakfast: Cereal, fruit cocktail and meat sauce, cheese slice, mixed vegetables, applesauce.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, juice; lunch: Cheeseburger, french fries, apple crisp.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Cheerios, juice; lunch: Turkey and gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, gravy.

Thursday - Breakfast: Sausage pancake, juice; lunch: Rotini and meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad, fruit cocktail.

Friday - Breakfast: Cereal, juice; lunch: Nachos and cheese, peanut butter sandwich, carrot and celery sticks, pineapple. Middle School Chili supper.

**Venice Public Schools**

Monday - Baked chicken, broccoli with cheese sauce, whipped potato cookies.

Tuesday - Chili dog on bun, potato wedges, sliced carrots, fruit cocktail.

Wednesday - Shellroni, spinach, peas.

Thursday - Salmon rice loaf, peas, cake with chocolate frosting.

Friday - Teachers' meeting...no school.

**Holy Family**

Monday - Hamburger on bun, sandwich, french fries, peas, chocolate drop cookies.

Tuesday - Ravioli with meat sauce, cheese chunks, salad, green beans, blueberry cake.

Wednesday - Fried chicken and gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, slaw, fruit.

Thursday - Barbecued pork on bun, tater tots, pickles, corn, stuffed celery, jello.

Friday - Salmon patties, peas, tater tots, slaw, graham cracker cookies.

**St. Elizabeth**  
Monday - Baked beans and franks, potato sticks, mixed fruit cup.

Tuesday - Cheeseburger on bun, french fries, fruit pudding.

Wednesday - Pizza pockets, corn, apple crisp.

Thursday - Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pumpkin bar with icing.

Friday - Fish on bun, french fries, corn, mixed fruit cup cocktail.

**Head Start**

Monday - Breakfast: Orange juice, bagelette, cream cheese; lunch: Barbecued pork, baked beans, citrus salad, hamburger bun; snack: Raisins and celery, peanut butter, orange juice.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Grape juice, raisin bread, hard boiled egg; lunch: Spaghetti and meatballs, fruit cocktail, tossed salad, salad dressing; snack: Cheerios.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Orange

segs, pancake, syrup; lunch: Pop tart, sugar plums, cinnamon fried apples, snack: Pineapple-orange juice, corn bread.

Thursday - Breakfast: Banana slices, Cheerios; lunch: Chicken salad, boiled egg, carrots and celery, tomato wedges; snack: Orange segments, bread sticks.

**Soldier honored on birthday visit here**

**Lucille Martin** covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record Journal. She can be contacted at 931-0731.

Dennis Morris, who is stationed with the Army in Aurora, near Denver, Colo., spent a furlough visiting his parents, Dennis and Ida Morris, and other relatives and friends.

While he was home, his parents gave a birthday party for him on his 10th birthday in the home of his grandparents, Bill and Ruth Dagon.

Present were his other grandparents, Bill and Rose Grady;

**Lucille Martin**

Don and Kathy Renner, Kathy and Courtney, all of Belleville; Jeff and Gayle Morris, Jeff, Jennifer, Misty and Matt; John and Shirley Grady; Steve Grady, and son; and Christy Rice.

Susie Horton has returned home after spending some time in Kankakee visiting her sister, Laura Reynolds, who has been very sick.

Before coming home, she also visited her daughter, Marsha, and husband John Workman in Boaz, Ky., while her daughter was recovering after surgery.

Sean Lane has returned to his home on Rapp Road after spending a week visiting his uncle and family, Kenny and Karen Lane and son Creig near Chesterfield, Mo.

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## Obituaries



### Phillip Merz

Philip T. Merz, 74, of Granite City died at 6:05 a.m. Friday, February 12, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Mr. Merz was born July 12, 1918, in Granite City, the son of John and Mary (Wright) Merz. He was a deputy sheriff for 17 years at the Granite City Street Department. He belonged to the Teamsters Local 525 and was of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include his father, Darrell Weible of Collinsville; his mother, Janis (Easter) Weible of Granite City; a brother, Kenneth Weible of Granite City; a sister, Katherine Parker of Granite City; and his grandfather, Eugene Weible of Terre Haute, Ind.

Visitation was held Friday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Bauer Funeral Home, Bonne Terre, with the Rev. Ron Poole officiating. Burial will be at Bonne Terre City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested for Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

### Fremont Suess

Fremont Suess, 88, of Edwardsville died Thursday, Feb. 11, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

Born in Pierrou, Ill., on July 13, 1904, he retired in 1969 after 31 years of employment at Schwartz Furniture. He was a member of the Edwardsville Sportsmen's Club, Edwardsville Lions Club, United Church of Christ in Edwardsville and Eden Men's

Beach Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Robert DeGrand officiating. Burial will be at Valley View Cemetery in Edwardsville. Masses are pre-ferred for memorials.

### Anthony Weible

Anthony "Tony" Weible, 33, of Granite City was pronounced dead at 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1993, at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he reportedly suffered an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Weible was born May 22, 1960, in Bonne Terre, Mo. He was of the Protestant faith and had been active as a young man in softball.

Survivors include his father, Darrell Weible of Collinsville; his mother, Janis (Easter) Weible of Granite City; a brother, Kenneth Weible of Granite City; a sister, Katherine Parker of Granite City; and his grandfather, Eugene Weible of Terre Haute, Ind.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Pletcher Funeral Home, 209 St. Louis St., Edwardsville. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Eden United Church of Christ, Edwardsville, with the Rev. Robert Townsend officiating. Burial will be at Highland City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested for Eden United Church of Christ, Edwardsville.

Survivors include his son, Richard Suess of Granite City; his daughter, Shirley Senn of Millstadt; two sisters, Marion Schild and Mary (Olsen) Roth of Highland; four grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Veronica (Malkemus) Suess, whom he married Sept. 3, 1926, in Union, Mo., and who died Nov. 12, 1988; his brother, Kenneth Weible; and Mary (Tanner) Suess; four brothers and two sisters.

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### Joel Larson

Joel Andrew Larson, 12, of Effingham was pronounced dead by 11:30 a.m. Feb. 7, 1993, at St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital, Effingham.

Born in Mattoon, Ill., on Aug. 29, 1980, he was a sixth-grade student at Effingham Central School.

Survivors include his father, Tim Larson of Mattoon; his mother, Susan Larson of Effingham; a sister, Melissa Larson of Effingham; and his grandmother, Evelyn Farro of Granite City.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Bauer Funeral Home, Effingham, with the Rev. Kevin Jenkins officiating. Burial was at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, Sigel.

Memorials are suggested for Effingham Central School, c/o of Bauer Funeral Home, 1212 Evergreen Ave., Effingham, Ill. 62401.

## Clinton to get health insurance message

ALTON — President Clinton will get a message from area residents who favor a national health insurance plan. About 5,000 messages, that is.

Area members of the Campaign for a Government Health Care System, which has more than 3,000 postcards urging the new president to back an national health insurance system.

"It looks pretty good," said Charles Mohr, a retired labor leader who has helped coordinate the drive. "We've got over 5,000."

Mohr said people who have been involved in the local drive will meet Thursday night to decide whether to mail the postcards or try to deliver them per-

sonally Valentine's Day.

Mohr said he thinks a government agency should provide health insurance for all, leaving the choice of health care providers to the individual.

"Put it all in one pot, then you go to the doctor that you want," Mohr said.

He said he fears other proposals for overhauling the system would limit patients' choices.

"We're going to wait and see what Clinton comes up with," Mohr said. "There's going to be a lot of pressure. We'll try to get our congressmen to go along. I do hope they do something drastic."

— From the Alton Telegraph

## Congress gains from living adjustments

By Roger McGrath  
Correspondent

This year's cost-of-living adjustment for the average Social Security recipient annual income from all sources—about \$21,750—is \$19 a month, a 3-percent increase. For members of Congress, whose income is \$12,500, the COLA will boost income \$345 a month, a 3.2-percent increase.

Reason for the disparity in the cost-of-living adjustments: It depends on which measure of inflation is used. That's why the difference in COLAs doesn't surprise Scott Hodge, of the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank in Washington, D.C. "Congress, like the people still on it," he said, "will continue to rule by committee, and they will continue to benefit themselves and their own."

The Social Security COLA is calculated on the increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban areas. Salary adjustments for Congress, the federal judiciary and bureaucrats are based on the Employment Cost Index, a measure of compensation costs in the private sector.

Congressmen aren't wont to call their 1992 pay hike a cost-of-living adjustment. "It's not that at all," protests Joseph Sisk, director of the House Compensation & Employee Benefits subcommittee. The preferred term is "cost-of-living adjustment."

That is, the 3-percent adjustment is necessary to keep pace with wage and salary increases in private business, he says.

Congressional rationale aside, the pay hike still stands, and a COLA because it is an automatic adjustment, says Virginia Guzman, regional economist for the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Kansas City.

Guzman could have picked any of the hundreds of inflation measures for keeping members' salaries in step with rising prices. Consider the Consumer Price Index. The best-known, most widely used index is the CPI, which tracks the cost of goods and services purchased by 80 percent of the population, those living in metropolitan areas.

The CPI scores of lesser-known CPIs. Many union contracts specify that workers' wages be indexed to the CPI for urban wage earners, a category that tracks consumer prices paid by blue collar and clerical workers, about 32 percent of the population, Guzman points out.

Separate CPIs are kept for regions, metro areas, for health-care costs, and so on.

Other inflation measures include the producer price index, which measures price changes at the wholesale level, and the gross domestic product deflator, an index that covers the entire economy, not just consumer goods, said Tatton, economist with the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

"Over a long period of time, these indexes move similarly," he adds. For instance, in the five years ended Sept. 30, 1992, producer prices averaged a 3.5-percent annual increase, the CPI 3.1 percent, the GDP deflator 3.9 percent and the employment cost index 4.4 percent.

Although the CPIs expect the employment cost index to increase faster than consumer prices, reflecting rising real incomes or wages that grow faster than inflation, says Laurence Mead, of the Brookings Institution, Clayton.

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Which is why Congress' tying of its pay to the employment cost index doesn't surprise the Heritage Foundation's Hodge. "It's another one of those things that make us cynical about Washington," he says.

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The following local students at Metro-East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville earned academic honors during the second quarter of the 1992-93 school year.

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**McKendree College announces fall term president's, dean's lists**

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McKendree students making the president's list are:

Belleville: Jennifer D. Ameling, Brenna L. Bagley, Bon-

nie A. Dutcher, Dawn M. Eting,

Sandra D. Littleken, Heather M.

Lowry, Shannan M. McConaughay,

Julie C. Meyer, Mary Beth Murphy,

M. Lynn Thies, William P.

Winders.

Collinsville: Dawn Dick-

man, Lebanon: A. Astrauskas, Francisca N. Eye, Semitan, William S. Kuhner.

Mascoutah: Susan M. Bechtold, Cindy M. Elias.

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O'Fallon: Tina R. Eastman,

Jennifer K. Brock, Neil A.

James, Therese K. Spellman,

Susan A. Ulrich, Michelle L.

Fairview Heights: Mari-

claire Niemann, Carla K. Nieset,

Stella C. Buntenthal.

Foxburg: Connie B. Shook,

Granite City: Mecala J.

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Highland: Jodi L. Elchel-

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L. Pyburn, Robert W. Yates.

Mascoutah: Leonard H.

Chandler.

New Baden: John C.

Eutsler.

O'Fallon: Carolyn Walker

Massello.

Scott A.F.B.: Donna S.

Gallegos, Barry D. Wills, Ken S.

Browne.

McKendree students making

the dean's list are:

Caseyville: Wayne L.

Gaucher.

Collinsville: Brandy D.

Hedger, Julie L. Heller, Cynthia

L. Ziegler.

Edwardsville: Kimberly S.

Evans, Shannon C. Flanigan,

James K. Ruff.

Fairview Heights: Leslie A.

Hoercher, Pamela L. Bryan,

Granite City: Christina R.

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# Granite City Park District



**Bowling them over** — A group of bowlers from Bowland recently collected awards for their efforts while competing in tournament play. Clockwise, from top left: Adron and Christy Cahill show off a plaque they won for winning the major division at the annual Thanksgiving Adult/Junior Tournament. Marilyn Smith and Tim Hall won the junior division in the same tournament. Jondalyn and John Cozlar won the prep division. Wayne Hagopian, 15, recently placed fifth in the Junior Archway Tournament after rolling a 231 game and a series of 620 scratch. Hagopian, a 10-year veteran at Bowland and a sophomore at Granite City High School, carries a 200 average in three junior leagues. His parents are Dave and Cheryl Hagopian of Granite City.



**K of C winners** — Ten boys and girls were named local champions of the 1992 Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship. Front row, from left: Tanna Drue, Sangeeta Kumar, Susan Baker, Katie Röck, Laura Morgan. Top row, from left: grand knight Roy Ponce, Daniel Harris, Scott Schardan, Gary Oxford, Louis Prazma, Brian Kamaduski, chairman Bob Palus.

Bronkell (Jan. 31)	Men's division
Planet Granite	8-2 (16 pts.)
Planet Granite II	6-4 (12)
Hook's	5-3 (8)
Medicine Shoppe	3-7 (6)
Sports Tap...	To Be Determined
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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)  
Granite City winger Craig Wagner skates up the ice. The Warriors, the American Conference Gold Division champs, begin the postseason Monday.

## Prep hockey

### MID-STATES CLUB HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

#### PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

##### National Conference FIRST ROUND

Lafayette vs. Parkway Central  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at Queeney, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 14 at Queeney, 7 p.m.  
SLH vs. Alton  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at South County, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 14 at Alton, 7:45 p.m.  
Desoto Champs  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at Queeney, 4:45 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at Queeney, 8:45 p.m.  
Weston vs. Parkway North  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at Parkway North, 4:45 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at Parkway North, 8:45 p.m.

##### SECOND ROUND

CRG vs. Desoto Champs  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at Desoto Champs, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at Desoto Champs, 7 p.m.  
Parkway South vs. SLH or Vianney  
Game 1: Feb. 20 at Queeney, 4:45 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 22, TBA

Game 1: Feb. 20 at Queeney, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 22, TBA

Europa vs. McCluer North  
Game 1: Feb. 13 at Queeney, 9:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at Alton, 7:30 p.m.

##### SECOND ROUND

SLH vs. McCluer North or Howell  
Game 1: Feb. 15 at Alton, 9:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 19, 20 or 22, TBA  
Hazlewood Central vs. Burroughs or Ladue  
Game 1: Feb. 15 at North County, 7 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 19, 20 or 22, TBA  
Glenwood vs. Clayville or Lindbergh  
Game 1: Feb. 15 at North County, 8:45 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 19, 20 or 22, TBA  
Clayville vs. Burroughs or McCluer North  
Game 1: Feb. 19 at Alton, 7:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 20 or 22, TBA

Game 1: Feb. 13 at St. Louis Arena, 8:30 p.m.

SLH vs. McCluer North or Howell

Game 1: Feb. 13 at North County, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at North County, 9:15 p.m.

Ladue vs. Burroughs

Game 1: Feb. 15 at Alton, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 19, 20 or 22, TBA

Clayville vs. Lindbergh

Game 1: Feb. 12 at South County, 9:30 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 13 at South County, 11 p.m.

Championship  
Monday, March 1 at St. Louis Arena, 6 p.m.

##### AMERICAN CONFERENCE FIRST ROUND

Frances Howell vs. Hazelwood East

Game 1: Feb. 13 at Hazelwood East, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at North County, 9:15 p.m.

Glenwood vs. Lindbergh

Game 1: Feb. 13 at Alton, 9:15 p.m.  
Game 2: Feb. 15 at Alton, 9:15 p.m.

Oakville vs. Lindbergh

Game 1: Feb. 12 at South County, 9:30 p.m.  
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P215/75R15	62
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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)  
Granite City forward Jamie Cavaneau had 15 points in Thursday night's loss to Jerseyville.

## Players needed for AABC teams

A Granite City baseball coach, Doug Winfield, is looking to form teams for a traveling league to compete in the American Amateur Baseball Congress. Players born after Aug. 1, 1978, are needed.

The league will have a regular-season summer schedule and

a playoff format leading to AABC state tournaments play. The league is for players who would like to compete against teams throughout the southwest Illinois region.

For more information, call Winfield after 5 p.m. at 931-7082.

## Park district now accepting sign-ups

The Granite City Park District is now taking sign-ups for boys and girls interested in playing youth baseball and ponytail softball.

Any boy or girl whose birthday falls between Sept. 1, 1984 and Dec. 31, 1985 is eligible. Names are placed on a list, and teams are formed from the list or by managers who need players to fill out their rosters.

The park district says those who will be 15 years old and younger may also have their name put on a list, and every effort will be made to

get them on a team.

Anyone interested in managing a youth baseball or softball team should call or stop in the park office. Call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park office, 877-3059, for more information.

The park district is also forming a new Tuesday night coed softball league for play at Wilson Park. The league will begin April 27 and will have a 12-game regular season plus playoffs. The fees for the league are \$200 plus \$20 per person living outside the park district.

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underneath the boards. Jerseyville led 34-24 at intermission.

Granite City coach Allen Lobdell said the victory put the Lady Warriors' postseason chances into perspective. Regional play begins Monday.

"Our first-round game (7:30 p.m. Monday) against Jackson will be no cakewalk by any stretch of the imagination," Lobdell said. "But we know if we get past them, we will probably have to face East St. Louis and eventually Jerseyville again."

The Warriors have lost to the

Flyerettes both times they played them during the season, but Lobdell said he hopes his squad gets another crack at them.

"I know the girls might not feel the same way, but I'm sure like to see them again," Lobdell said. "They played them really tough at their place and we were a little bit under the weather at the time."

"I really think if we played them next, that we could give them a much better game," Lobdell said.

Jerseyville coach John Driscoll said he is wary of the prospect of playing the Lady Warriors again in the postseason, due to the recognition.

"On top is where we really like to be, so I don't think the extra pressure will effect us,"

meeting.

"Granite City has a good team filled with smart players and we have to have to give them a chance to see us before the regional," Driscoll said. "We played a good all-around game tonight, but I know they'll be ready if we have to face them again."

The victory put the Panthers at 24-1 for the season—a season in which they have earned the No. 1 regional seed. Driscoll said, however, his team will be under pressure because of the recognition.

"On top is where we really like to be, so I don't think the extra pressure will effect us,"

Driscoll said. "We play the same style every game no matter who we face, so it doesn't really matter who we play."

"We're probably of, you know we can play with anyone. Let the chips fall where they may."

Granite City will face Jacksonville at home and the Panthers will face Alton in Jerseyville in the opening round of the regional tournament Monday.

The playoffs will continue through next week, culminating with the sectional final Feb. 25 at Collinsville. The winner advances to the Belleville East Super-Sectional.

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Kathy Sparks, left, is presented a check from the Aid Association for Lutherans by Sarah and Don Repp.

### Pregnancy Center receives donation

The Metro-East Crisis Pregnancy Center received a gift of \$55 from Aid Association for Lutherans.

The gift is a portion of a large amount raised by AAL branches in the Metro-East area to benefit six area organizations.

The check was presented to Kathy Sparks, MECPPC, by Don and Sarah Repp, officers of AAL branch 29, representing Concordia, Hope and St. John Lutheran churches in Granite City.

AAL is a membership organization based in Appleton, Wis., that offers insurance products.

### Mind Games events planned

Certain as eggs dropping out of the late winter sky, the College of Engineering at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale is holding events for its 13th annual Mind Games, a laboratory open houses to celebrate National Engineers Week.

This year's events will take place Tuesday, Feb. 23, with labs open from 8:30 a.m. until noon and games beginning at 9 a.m.

More than 400 competitors, including SIUC students, local high school students, and members of the general public are expected to enter eight separate Mind Games events, which range from one-hour bridge building contests to the spectator's favorite Egg Drop, which sends eggs in specially constructed cartons to meet their fate of competing in the Engineering Pentathlon, the participants choice of five Mind Games events.

For the first time this year, the college will host an Engineering Bowl with high school scholar teams from across southern Illinois invited to participate. The competition will focus on math, science, and engineering problems.

### Earney on dean's list at EKU

Elizabeth Ann Earney of Granite City is among 1,175 students at Eastern Kentucky University to be named to the dean's list for fall semester study.

At EKU, students attempting 14 or more credit hours must earn a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

Students attempting 13 credit hours must earn a 3.0 GPA, and students attempting 12 credit hours must earn a 3.75 GPA.

"We are always delighted to honor outstanding academic achievement at Eastern Kentucky University," said EKU President Hanly Funderburk. "These students' academic performance reflects both their diligence and the hard work of our faculty."

Of the 1,319 dean's list students last semester, 469 earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Eastern Kentucky University is a comprehensive university serving about 17,000 students on its 350-acre Richmond campus, throughout its 22-county extended service region, and beyond.



From left are Ruth Meyer, Worden; Genevieve J. Hill, Edwardsville; Pat Mitchell, Granite City; and Janet Kruse, Highland.

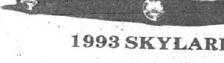
### Retiring board members of HEA county honored

At the annual Madison County Homemakers Extension Association Christmas Party, three retiring board members were honored.

The three are: Pat Mitchell of Granite City, serving as special activities director; Janet Kruse of Highland, retiring as first vice president; and Ruth Meyer, retiring as international director.

They were presented framed replicas of a special U.S. postage stamp that was issued on Oct. 26, 1984, in Honolulu, Hawaii, during the 50th anniversary celebration of the Smith-Lever Act, which made cooperative extension service possible. The Smith-Lever Act made possible "out-of-school" adult youth education at Land Grant Colleges.

This official stamp honored Homemakers of America and Homemakers Extension. Genevieve J. Hill, special activities director, made the presentation.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## NBC cheated, embarrassed itself in GM truck report

By Ian MacBryde  
Correspondent

It was, at the very least, immensely embarrassing. And not just for Jane Pauley and Stone Phillips who sat uncomfortably on the set of *Dateline NBC*, and not just for the network, admitting that the program had inappropriately used "an unscientific demonstration" in its Nov. 17 report, which alleged that some General Motors pickups are unsafe because of the placement of the gas tanks.

It was also hugely embarrassing for those among us who have said that, despite the competitive and often poor nature of television journalism, despite their pandering, their sensationalism, and their emphasis on the prurient, at least what they showed the audience was true as they saw it. *Done.*

Bottom line: NBC cheated. NBC broke the rules that mandate that you don't cheat, you don't misrepresent, you don't obscure information to prove your case. In the case of General Motors, it has its own video which indicates that the gas tanks on some models are likely to rupture and cause an explosion. It matters that a court found GM liable in the one case. All that is obscured by the fact that NBC cheated, and to quote one careful observer of television news, "How can we ever trust them again?"

A word of caution: blame the incident on one small group of people involved in the production of one story, to dismiss it as an



Ian MacBryde

aberration and to point out that almost everyone involved in the production of television news does play by the rules. But I'm afraid, I'm not so sure anymore.

I am reminded by a colleague that it was some 20 years ago when a CBS reporter was censured for staging the news conference to show what happened at one. I think almost everyone in the industry was shaken to the core by that incident. I would like to think that people, in television and in print, will be just as shocked by this latest shudder. But I'm afraid they won't be.

And maybe the worst indicator of all came from NBC's statement of defense. Phillips said, in part: "We are also convinced that unscientific demonstrations should have no place in hard news stories." If NBC has only just come to that conclusion, I would have misplaced my trust for a good many years. I don't know about you, but the thought makes me shudder.

Ashe gaffe

Speaking of embarrassment,

as I mentioned, should have the decency to apologize to the American public. I don't blame HBO because, presumably, HBO

was just the messenger.

But during the recent (2/6/93) broadcast of the Riddick Bowe-Michael Dokes heavyweight bout, HBO embarrassed itself before a national audience. Now you might think that it would be impossible for boxing to embarrass itself, but this was special.

Hours before the fight had come the sad news of the death of Arthur Ashe, world-class tennis player and even better human being. We were treated to an announcement by the ring

announcer that, to memorialize Ashe, the timekeeper would count him out. And so we listened in agony to the tolling of the bell.

The people with whom I was watching, young, male and female, were as appalled by this bad taste as I was.

Now that Ashe was not a vanquished fighter? He was not beaten. With great dignity, and great honor, he moved on. That's all.

Ian MacBryde is an independent video producer and former television executive.

Bill Murray stars in the romantic comedy, "Groundhog Day."

## 'Groundhog Day' provides endless funny opportunities

By Harry Hamm  
Correspondent

Headliner Bill Murray says there were some important differences between him and "Groundhog Day" director Harold Ramis over the film's central focus.

In "Groundhog Day," Murray plays an egotistic television weatherman who gets stuck in time in Punxsutawney, Pa., and is forced to relive Feb. 2nd, Groundhog Day, over and over.

The origins of the perpetual time loop are explained. It is obvious in the text of the film, however, that Murray's primary hope of escaping his time trap is to become a better person, as established in his improved version of the film he produced Rita, played by Anne MacDowell, and his cameraman Larry, played by Chris Elliott.

"I never thought I couldn't pull it off," Murray said about Rita. "I just thought I thought I didn't want to. It was cold outside, and I get cranky when it's too cold. You can only drink so much minestrone soup until one day you tell yourself, 'This is nuts. I should be in Florida.'

The big thing, though, was that I thought this movie should be more of a comedy because of the set-up of the situations," he said. "The main possibilities were almost limited. But Harold [Ramis] is the director and he wanted to do more of a romantic story. We disagreed on that. So because he is the director and the film is all in cans over at his house, he got to decide."

"Groundhog Day" marks the sixth feature film collaboration between Ramis and Murray. The others were "Meatballs," "Caddyshack," "Stripes," "Ghostbusters" and "Ghostbusters II."

Regardless of their disagreement, Ramis said Murray was always his natural choice to play the cynical, opinionated weatherman who finds himself transformed by his infinite Groundhog Day experience.

"Bill is a personal sort of embodiment the best and worst in people," Ramis said. "I grew up with the voice of Bill Murray in my head so long, it was kind of fun to think of him stuck in the different ways he would approach Groundhog Day as he relived it over and over again."

The story also seems to coincide with Bill's own spiritual interests. His commitment in life is to making each day somehow special.

In reviewing his past work with Murray, Bill said the movie "Caddyshack" was the most significant to him. The film, which was released in 1980, is a comedy about the members of a country club.

Murray played the eccentric grounds keeper whose mission in life is to catch and kill a mole.

An avid golfer himself, Murray says "Caddyshack" is the only movie he made that actually makes to golfers and depicts their overt passions for the game. Murray noted that since the release of the movie, he can go to any club in any American city and immediately be allowed to play the questions asked.

"I'm a really lazy guy," Murray confessed. "Other than playing golf, if I didn't have a job as an actor, I'd probably be doing nothing. I'm not motivated."

"I saw a lot of TV television about Howard Hughes and how he lived. It was part of the 'Biography Series' on the A&E channel that's hosted by Peter Graves. They were acting like high-wheeled teenagers with the Hughes. I said to myself, 'Wait a minute. That's me! You got a problem with that, Mr. Graves?'"

Murray's next film, "Mad Dog and Glory," set for release March 5, Murray has his first serious role since "The Razor's Edge" in 1984.

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